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KOMBU KITCHEN SF LLC, dba NIBLL

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES DIVISION

In re:

KOMBU KITCHEN SF, LLC, dba NIBLL,
a California limited liability company,

Debtor and Debtor In Possession.

Case No. 2:23-bk-17276-BR

Chapter 11

Subchapter V

**DECLARATION OF KEVÉN
THIBEAULT REGARDING POST-
PETITION FINANCING ON AN
UNSECURED BASIS (OCTOBER 2025)**

[No Hearing Required]

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DECLARATION OF KEVÉN THIBEAULT

I, Kevén Thibeault, hereby declare:

1. I am an individual over the age of eighteen and CEO of KOMBU KITCHEN SF, LLC, dba NIBLL, the Chapter 11 Debtor and Debtor in Possession (the “Debtor”) herein. Each of the facts contained in this declaration is based upon my personal knowledge and, if called as a witness, I could and would competently testify thereto.

2. The Debtor commenced this Bankruptcy Case by filing a petition for relief under Chapter 11, Subchapter V, of the Bankruptcy Code on November 1, 2023 (the “Petition Date”). The Debtor continues to carry out its business operations and manage its financial affairs as a Debtor in Possession pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1107 and 1108. No trustee, examiner, or committee has been appointed in the Bankruptcy Case.

3. I submit this declaration setting forth the funds advanced to the Debtor from my wife and me, which were used to fund operations and to pay critical expenses of the Debtor.

4. During the month of October 2025, the funds provided via the DIP Loan total \$26,228.63. A summary and detailed list of the critical and operation expenses paid is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Executed this 2 day of December 2025, at San Francisco, California.



KEVÉN THIBEAULT

EXHIBIT 1

Summary of Advances
October 2025

<i>Expense</i>	SUM of Amount
	0.00
Bank Fee	1,618.88
Bus. Travel	8,904.82
Business Services	190.00
Business Subscription	608.93
Catering COGS LA	3,327.93
Catering COGS SF	114.76
Education	43.79
Marketing	1,363.39
Meals and Entertainment	1,551.35
Test Kitchen Office Rent	6,475.00
Test Kitchen Office Utilities	398.73
Transportation	810.54
Transportation - Fuel	102.40
Transportation- Fleet Maintenance	12.60
Utilities	705.51
Grand Total	26,228.63

Advances: Detail

October 2025

Date	Description	Amount	Expense
10/1/2025	Gas	298.07	Utilities
10/1/2025	Electric	201.16	Utilities
10/1/2025	Water	173.79	Utilities
10/1/2025	Internet	32.50	Utilities
10/1/2025	Test Kitchen Office Rent	6475.00	Test Kitchen Office Rent
10/5/2025	AMZ 112-1880526-1725854	439.56	Catering COGS LA
10/5/2025	AMZ 112-8415214-2784245	24.3	Catering COGS LA
10/5/2025	AMZ 112-8427061-6525052	64.64	Catering COGS LA
10/14/2025	AMZ 112-9961651-1142655	200	Catering COGS LA
10/15/2025	AMZ 112-9970002-7530658	18.26	Catering COGS LA
10/2/2025	AMZ 114-3438899-8982659	75.4	Catering COGS LA
10/18/2025	AMZ D01-5581456-6128243	12.99	Catering COGS LA
10/30/2025	SUPER ES CRUCE	495.19	Meals and Entertainment
10/29/2025	G20 ST MARTIN	17.15	Transportation - Fuel
10/29/2025	Wiber Rent A Car Spain SL	161.05	Transportation
10/28/2025	CINQUECENTO PIZZ	45.45	Meals and Entertainment
10/26/2025	TESCO STORES	18.05	Catering COGS SF
10/25/2025	Zettle_ *Self employed Lond	71.13	Transportation
10/24/2025	NAVARRE	56.76	Catering COGS LA
10/16/2025	WALMART.COM	12.6	Transportation- Fleet Maintenance
10/16/2025	PURCHASE INTEREST CHARGE	452.48	Bank Fee
10/15/2025	UBER *ONE MEMBERSHIP	9.99	Transportation
10/13/2025	CHARLESTON AIRPORT	26.63	Bus. Travel
10/12/2025	THE THOROUGHbred CLUB	69.68	Marketing
10/13/2025	CHARLESTON AIRPORT	46.29	Bus. Travel
10/13/2025	AMZ*y2f5a6rgk CHS Nonstop	49.78	Catering COGS LA
10/12/2025	GOOGLE *SiriusXM Music	9.99	Business Subscription
10/09/2025	TST*HIGH FLYING FOODS -	42.85	Meals and Entertainment
10/10/2025	GOOGLE *Lensa photo ed	39.93	Business Subscription
10/08/2025	TST*KING BBQ	210.38	Meals and Entertainment
10/09/2025	LOWE'S FOODS #279	531.83	Catering COGS LA
10/07/2025	GOOGLE *Life360 Stay C	14.99	Business Subscription
10/05/2025	PIKES HOUSE	1293.71	Marketing
10/01/2025	SXM*SIRIUSXM.COM/ACCT	72.94	Business Subscription
10/01/2025	GOOGLE *GSUITE_the120.	21	Business Subscription
09/30/2025	ALBERTSONS.COM #0798	52.34	Catering COGS LA
10/23/2025	LANDYS	10.45	Catering COGS LA
10/23/2025	WALDORF	96.44	Meals and Entertainment
10/23/2025	VUELING AIRLCJE7NW	1965.46	Bus. Travel

Advances: Detail
October 2025

Date	Description	Amount	Expense
10/22/2025	Qc Terme Roma	155.04	Meals and Entertainment
10/21/2025	RYANAIR 000000DP8N5FO	53.86	Bus. Travel
10/21/2025	AMERICAN ACADEMY IN R..	43.79	Education
10/16/2025	SPROUTS FARMERS MAR	96.71	Catering COGS SF
10/17/2025	UKVI ETAMOB00000805550	22.19	Transportation - Fuel
10/17/2025	ASEA US*21328133	219.39	Catering COGS LA
10/16/2025	VUELING AIRLPQS28B	1750.49	Bus. Travel
10/16/2025	CIRCLE K # 06065	28.08	Transportation - Fuel
10/12/2025	ASEA US*21309812	164.86	Catering COGS LA
10/12/2025	ASEA US*21309436	147.2	Catering COGS LA
10/09/2025	PURCHASE INTEREST CHARGE	453.34	Bank Fee
10/01/2025	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE	49	Business Subscription
10/30/2025	627 - PC AER BCN T1 AIRE	33.37	Meals and Entertainment
10/30/2025	RELAY 4167919	34.98	Transportation - Fuel
10/25/2025	EDI WDF MAIN	301.32	Meals and Entertainment
10/10/2025	PURCHASE INTEREST CHARGE	319.26	Bank Fee
09/30/2025	ASEA US*21268821	182.79	Catering COGS LA
09/30/2025	RALPHS #0118	109.29	Catering COGS LA
10/23/2025	LE CHEF BAKERY	227.36	Catering COGS LA
10/20/2025	PURCHASE INTEREST CHARGE	393.8	Bank Fee
10/12/2025	ZOOM.COM 888-799-9666	16.99	Business Subscription
10/13/2025	ASEA US*21312595 8019737499 UT	244.59	Catering COGS LA
10/12/2025	ASEA US*21309818 8019737499 UT	164.85	Catering COGS LA
10/30/2025	UBER *TRIP	71.97	Transportation
10/30/2025	UBER *TRIP	1.01	Transportation
10/30/2025	SUN PAC STORAGE CONTAI	95	Business Services
10/28/2025	CANVA* I04683-76256042	30	Business Subscription
10/28/2025	UBER *TRIP	36.09	Transportation
10/28/2025	UBER *TRIP	1	Transportation
10/28/2025	UBER *TRIP	29.04	Transportation
10/28/2025	UBER *TRIP	1	Transportation
10/27/2025	UBER *TRIP	13.45	Transportation
10/26/2025	UBER *TRIP	3	Transportation
10/26/2025	UBER *TRIP	34.09	Transportation
10/25/2025	UBER *TRIP	82.35	Transportation
10/25/2025	UBER *TRIP	1	Transportation
10/25/2025	UBER *TRIP	0.99	Transportation
10/23/2025	UBER *TRIP	12.41	Transportation
10/22/2025	UBER *TRIP	1	Transportation

Advances: Detail

October 2025

Date	Description	Amount	Expense
10/21/2025	UBER *TRIP	92.94	Transportation
10/21/2025	UBER *TRIP HELP.UBER.C	25.49	Transportation
10/20/2025	UBER *TRIP	3	Transportation
10/19/2025	UBER *TRIP	41.52	Transportation
10/18/2025	UBER *TRIP	47.01	Transportation
10/18/2025	TST*IRONWOOD NEW	171.31	Meals and Entertainment
10/15/2025	Hotel at Booking.com	1417.73	Bus. Travel
10/13/2025	UBER *TRIP	6	Transportation
10/13/2025	UBER *TRIP	35.3	Transportation
10/13/2025	UBER *TRIP	7	Transportation
10/11/2025	UBER *TRIP	21.71	Transportation
10/09/2025	SUN PAC STORAGE CONTAI	95	Business Services
10/29/2025	AICECRM SAINT JOSEPH MO	19.99	Business Subscription
10/26/2025	ASEA US*21354619 PLEASANT GROVE UT	222.51	Catering COGS LA
10/26/2025	THE WEBSTAIRANT STOR(717)392-7472 PA	108.78	Catering COGS LA
10/23/2025	SUMMIT.CO AUSTIN TX	275	Business Subscription
10/22/2025	GOOGLE *GOOGLE ONE G.CO/HELPPAY# CA	2.11	Business Subscription
10/19/2025	NYTimes.COM NY TIMES(800)698-4637 NY	25	Business Subscription
10/06/2025	OPENAI *CHATGPT SUBSSAN FRANCISCO CA	20	Business Subscription
10/05/2025	SCRIBD *653158551 SAN FRANCISCO CA	11.99	Business Subscription
10/01/2025	PYL*RALSTON MANAGEMETEMECULA CA	398.73	Test Kitchen Office Utilities
10/21/2025	AIRBNB * HMJJ4TDNBW SAN FRANCISCO CA	1386.39	Bus. Travel
10/20/2025	AIRBNB * TA8854JD SAN FRANCISCO CA	64.24	Bus. Travel
10/10/2025	AIRBNB * HM9S4ZCEFC SAN FRANCISCO CA	2193.73	Bus. Travel

PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is:

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A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (*specify*): **Declaration of Keven Thibeault Regarding Post-Petition Financing on an Unsecured Basis (October 2025)**, will be served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and (b) in the manner stated below:

1. **TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF)**: Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (*date*) December 3, 2025, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below:

See attached NEF service list.

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2. **SERVED BY UNITED STATES MAIL**:

On (*date*) _____, I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses in this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

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3. **SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, OVERNIGHT MAIL, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL** (state method for each person or entity served): Pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 5 and/or controlling LBR, on (*date*) _____, I served the following persons and/or entities by personal delivery, overnight mail service, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that personal delivery on, or overnight mail to, the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

December 3, 2025
Date

Martha E. Araki
Printed Name

/s/ Martha E. Araki
Signature

In re Kombu Kitchen SF LLC

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